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SUPPLIES OF FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES ON MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - WEEK OF MAY 15-20, 1944

(ISSUED WEEKLY, BASED ON WEDNESDAY'S MARKET)

CITY	BEANS, SNAP		BEETS		CABBAGE		CARROTS		CAULIFLOWER		CELERY		KEY
	SUPPLY TREND	PRICE TREND											
Atlanta	PLENT	SH	NONE	---	MOD	SL	MOD	SH	LGT	U	LGT	H	SUPPLY TREND
Washington, D. C.	VLT	C	PLENT	U	MOD	SL	PLENT	SL	VLT	---	LGT	H	
Baltimore	LGT	C	LGT	U	PLENT	L	MOD	L	LGT	U	VLT	U	Plent - Plentiful
Philadelphia	VLT	C	LGT	SL	PLENT	SL	PLENT	L	LGT	SL	LGT	SL	Moderate
New York	LGT	B,C,-O,L	Moo	SL	MOD	SH	PLENT	L	MOD	L	LGT	H	Mod - Light
Boston	LGT	SL	LGT	SL	LGT	C	PLENT	SL	LGT	SH	VLT	H	Lgt - Very Light
Pittsburgh	NONE	---	LGT	U	MOD	U	MOD	L	MOD	U	MOD	H	
Cincinnati	LGT	H	LGT	H	PLENT	U	LGT	U	LGT	U	LGT	H	
Chicago	PLENT	SL	Moo	SL	PLENT	SL	PLENT	L	Moo	L	Moo	H	PRICE TREND
Minneapolis	MOD	M,C	VLT	U	PLENT	SL	PLENT	L	MOD	L	VLT	H	
St. Louis	LGT	U	LGT	U	PLENT	L	Moo	L	LGT	SL	LGT	H	B - Best
Kansas City	LGT	H	NONE	---	PLENT	L	Moo	L	LGT	U	LGT	H	O - Others
Fort Worth	Moo	U	Moo	U	MOD	U	PLENT	U	VLT	SH	VLT	U	M - Mostly
Denver	LGT	U	LGT	U	PLENT	SL	PLENT	L	LGT	U	LGT	H	C - Ceiling
Los Angeles	VLT	C	PLENT	U	MOD	SL	MOD	U	LGT	U	MOD	U	- Unchanged
San Francisco	VLT	C	Moo	U	PLENT	SL	MOD	SL	MOD	U	LGT	SH	I - Lower
Portland	NONE	---	Moo	U	MOD	U	MOD	SH	LGT	SH	LGT	H	SL - Slightly Lower
COMMODITY													
GRAPEFRUIT													
Atlanta	LGT	U	Moo	U	Moo	L	MOD	U	LGT	U	MOD	U	
Washington, D. C.	Moo	U	PLENT	C	PLENT	SL	PLENT	C	LGT	C	VLT	C	
Baltimore	LGT	U	Moo	B,C	Moo	L	Moo	U	LGT	U	LGT	U	
Philadelphia	LGT	B,C	Moo	C	PLENT	L	Moo	B,C	Moo	SL	LGT	B,C-O,L	
New York	Moo	B,C-O,SL	Moo	M,C	MOD	L	PLENT	U	MOD	U	LGT	SL	
Boston	Moo	SL	Moo	C	PLENT	L	Moo	SL	LGT	C	MOD	U	
Pittsburgh	LGT	U	Moo	C	PLENT	L	Moo	U	LGT	H	LGT	C	
Cincinnati	Moo	U	Moo	C	PLENT	L	PLENT	U	LGT	U	LGT	C	
Chicago	Moo	U	LGT	C	PLENT	L	PLENT	U	Moo	SL	Moo	SL	
Minneapolis	Moo	U	Moo	C	PLENT	L	Moo	U	MOD	U	MOD	U	
St. Louis	Moo	SL	VLT	C	PLENT	L	Moo	U	LGT	U	LGT	C	
Kansas City	LGT	U	LGT	SL	PLENT	L	Mod	C	LGT	H	None	---	
Fort Worth	LGT	U	Moo	C	PLENT	L	Moo	M,C	NONE	---	LGT	U	
Denver	Moo	U	PLENT	SL	PLENT	L	Mod	U	LGT	U	None	---	
Los Angeles	LGT	U	PLENT	L	PLENT	SL	Mod	U	Moo	B,H	LGT	M,C	
San Francisco	Moo	U	PLENT	L	PLENT	SL	Moo	U	PLENT	U	VLT	SH	
Portland	LGT	H	Moo	SL	Moo	Mod	C	Mod	SL	LGT	C		

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COMMODITY	POTATOES, OLD		POTATOES, NEW		SPINACH		STRAWBERRIES		TOMATOES		SUPPLY TREND	PRICE TREND	SUPPLY TREND	PRICE TREND
	CITY	SUPPLY TREND	PRICE TREND	SUPPLY TREND	PRICE TREND	SUPPLY TREND	PRICE TREND	SUPPLY TREND	PRICE TREND	SUPPLY TREND	PRICE TREND			
Atlanta	PLENT	SL	MOD	SL	LGT	U	VLGT	L	PLENT	U				
Washington, D. C.	PLENT	U	MOD	U	PLENT	U	MOD	B,C-O,L	LGT	SL				
Baltimore	MOD	U	MOD	U	MOD	U	MOD	SL	MOD	U				
Philadelphia	PLENT	B,U-Q,SL	MOD	U	MOD	B,SH	MOD	B,C-O,SL	MOD	SL				
New York	MOD	L	MOD	SL	MOD	L	MOD	B,C-O,SL	MOD	L				
Boston	PLENT	L	MOD	SH	PLENT	SL	LGT	C	MOD	U				
Pittsburgh	MOD	U	MOD	U	MOD	U	LGT	U	MOD	L				
Cincinnati	LGT	U	MOD	U	PLENT	SL	MOD	SL	PLENT	L				
Chicago	LGT	L	MOD	U	MOD	L	MOD	SL	MOD	L				
Minneapolis	MOD	U	PLENT	SL	MOD	SL	PLENT	B,C-O,L	MOD	SL				
St. Louis	LGT	U	PLENT	L	PLENT	L	MOD	L	MOD	L				
Kansas City	LGT	SL	PLENT	L	LGT	U	LGT	SL	MOD	L				
Fort Worth	VLGT	U	MOD	SL	LGT	U	LGT	C	PLENT	SL				
Denver	PLENT	U	PLENT	SL	PLENT	SL	MONE	---	MOD	U				
Los Angeles	VLGT	C	MOD	SL	NO REPORT	---	VLGT	C	MOD	L				
San Francisco	LGT	U	MOD	SL	MOD	SH	MOD	B,C-O,L	PLENT	L				
Portland	LGT	U	MOD	U	PLENT	L	NONE	---	MOD	SL				

THIS SUMMARY IS BASED ON REPORTS SUPPLIED BY THE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE MARKET NEWS OFFICES, AT THE CITIES NAMED AND BY OTHER AGENCIES OF THE OFFICE OF DISTRIBUTION, WAR FOOD ADMINISTRATION. IT SHOWS THE SUPPLY AND PRICE TREND AS COMPARED WITH THE WEEK PREVIOUS. ALL SUPPLIES REPORTED ON ARE OF MERCHANTABLE QUALITY. THE LETTER "B" IN THE PRICE TREND COLUMN REFERS TO THE BEST QUALITY, AND "C" REFERS TO OTHER QUALITY STANDARDS. THUS, THE SYMBOLS, B, SH-O, U SHOULD BE INTERPRETED TO MEAN BEST QUALITY, SLIGHTLY HIGHER - OTHERS UNCHANGED.

GENERAL COMMENTS

DOUE TO THE HEAVY SUPPLY, ONION PRICES DROPPED SHARPLY ON PRACTICALLY ALL MARKETS. A NATIONAL PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN, IN AN EFFORT TO CREATE MORE DEMAND FOR ONIONS, WAS STARTED MAY 15TH. AROUND JUNE 1ST, SHIPMENTS OF ONIONS FROM SOUTH TEXAS WILL END AND THOSE FROM NORTH TEXAS WILL BEGIN. INDICATIONS ARE THAT, DURING THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, CABBAGE SUPPLIES WILL CONTINUE PLENTIFUL AND CAULIFLOWER OFFERINGS WILL LIKELY BE LIGHT.

SUPPLIES OF BOTH OLD AND NEW POTATOES ARE MODERATE TO PLENTIFUL ON MOST MARKETS. NEW POTATOES SOLD SLIGHTLY LOWER ON WESTERN AND MID-WESTERN MARKETS, BUT SHOWED LITTLE CHANGE ON EASTERN MARKETS.

INDICATIONS ARE, THAT FROM NOW THROUGH JUNE, SUPPLIES OF OLD POTATOES, THOUGH DECREASING, WILL BE ABOVE AVERAGE FOR THIS PERIOD OF THE YEAR. NEW POTATO SUPPLIES WILL BE SMALLER THAN A YEAR AGO, BUT LARGER THAN THE 10-YEAR AVERAGE, 1933-42. INCREASED SUPPLIES FROM CALIFORNIA ARE OFFSET BY DECREASES IN ARKANSAS, ALABAMA, TENNESSEE, GEORGIA, NORTH AND SOUTH CAROLINA. DRY WEATHER AT THIS TIME IS TENDING TO LOWER POTATO PRODUCTION IN THE ATLANTIC SEABOARD STATES.

DURING THE WEEK:

CARROTS FROM CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA WERE AGAIN PLENTIFUL AND PRICES MOVED LOWER ON MOST MARKETS.

SHIPMENTS OF STRAWBERRIES FROM ARKANSAS, KENTUCKY, TENNESSEE, AND THE EASTERN SHORE OF VIRGINIA INCREASED AND PRICES WERE SLIGHTLY LOWER ON MOST MARKETS.

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